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December 29, 2010

Roderick Jones, Executive Director Grace Hill Settlement House 2600 Hadley St. Louis, MO 63106

RE: Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP) (Project #2010-HOM15)

Dear Mr. Jones:

Enclosed is a report of our fiscal monitoring review of Grace Hill Settlement House, a not-for-profit Organization, HPRP, for the period July 29, 2009 through March 31, 2010. The scope of a fiscal monitoring review is less than an audit, and as such, we do not express an opinion on the financial operations of the Grace Hill Settlement House. Fieldwork was completed on July 16, 2010.

This review was made under authorization contained in Section 2, Article XV of the Charter, City of St. Louis, as revised and has been conducted in accordance with the *International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing* and through an agreement with the Department of Human Service (DHS) to provide fiscal monitoring to all grant sub-recipients.

If you have any questions, please contact the Internal Audit Section at (314) 622-4723.

Sincerely,

Dr. Kenneth M. Stone, CPA Internal Audit Executive

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Enclosure

cc: Walter Danneman, Accounting Coordinator, DHS Antoinette Triplett, Program Manager II, DHS



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DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICE (DHS)
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PROGRAM (HPRP)

GRACE HILL SETTLEMENT HOUSE CONTRACT #60499 CFDA #14.257

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JULY 29, 2009 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2010

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INTRODUCTION

Background

Contract Name: Grace Hill Settlement House

Contract Number: 60499

CFDA Number: 14.257

Contract Period: July 29, 2009 through March 31, 2010

Contract Amount: \$1,335,000

The contract provided Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP) funds to the Grace Hill Settlement House (Agency) to provide economic stability to distressed neighborhoods in the City of St. Louis. Services provided are financial assistance to the following activities, short-term rental assistance, medium-term rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits, utility payments, moving cost assistance and motel and hotel vouchers.

Purpose

The purpose of the review was to determine the Agency's compliance with federal, state and local Department of Human Services (DHS) requirements for the period July 29, 2009 through March 31, 2010, and make recommendations for improvements as considered necessary.

Scope and Methodology

Inquiries were made regarding the Agency's internal controls relating to the grants administered by DHS. Evidence was tested supporting the reports the Agency submitted to DHS and other procedures were performed as considered necessary. Fieldwork was completed on July 16, 2010.

Exit Conference

There were no current observations; therefore, an exit conference was not considered necessary.

SUMMARY OF OBSERVATIONS

Conclusion

No evidence was found to suggest that the Agency did not fully comply with federal, state and local DHS requirements.

Status of Prior Observations

This is the first time the Agency received this grant, therefore, there is no previous fiscal monitoring report.

A-133 Status

The Agency was required to have an A-133 Audit for its year ending December 31, 2008, because it expended over \$500,000 in federal awards.

The report was dated June 24, 2009 and rendered an unqualified opinion on the general-purpose financial statements. There were material weaknesses, but no significant deficiencies identified. The report rendered a qualified opinion on the report on major federal award programs. There were no material weaknesses; however, there were significant deficiencies identified. There were findings required to be reported in accordance with OMB Circular A-133; however, the findings did not correspond to the grant passed through the City of St. Louis.

The Agency did not qualify as a low-risk auditee.

Summary of Current Observations

There were no current observations.